



PROJECT: Fox River Basin, IL

AUTHORIZATION: WRDA 2000 Candidate

TYPE: Comprehensive Basin Study

DESCRIPTION: The Fox River Basin is located in Lake, McHenry, Kane and LaSalle Counties of Illinois, immediately west of Chicago. It is a rapidly growing area, the next major growth band of the metropolitan area. The growth will put added stress on the environment and the infrastructure. A comprehensive study to address the needs prior to dense development would allow more flexibility and order in the solutions.

CURRENT STATUS: There is no on-going effort to develop a comprehensive plan.

PLANNED WORK:

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Initiate construction for modification of two dams-Algonquin and McHenry, under the CAP, Section 205 authority.

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Complete the construction of the two dam modifications.

PROJECT COSTS:

Total Study Cost: The Reconnaissance report will cost \$100,000.

BENEFITS: N/A

LOCAL SPONSOR: Potential sponsors are Illinois DNR, Fox River Commission, local communities

ISSUES/CONCERNS:

Some of the project outputs may not be considered high priority for budgetary purposes.

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